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Proceeding	78896238
Applicant	Valiant Entertainment Inc.
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Submission	Motion to Dismiss Appeal as Moot Due to Cancellation of Cited Registration and Restore Jurisdiction to Examining Attorney
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APPLICANT: Valiant Entertainment, Inc.

SERIAL NO.: 78/896,238

TRADEMARK: TROUBLEMAKERS

FILING DATE: May 30, 2006

CLASS: 16

To: Hon. Commissioner for Trademarks

P.O. Box 1451

Alexandria, VA 22313-1451

MOTION TO DISMISS APPEAL AS MOOT DUE TO CANCELLATION OF CITED REGISTRATION AND RESTORE JURISDICTION TO EXAMINING ATTORNEY

Applicant, Valiant Entertainment, Inc., by and through its attorneys, hereby respectfully requests that the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board dismiss this appeal as moot pursuant to Trademark Trial and Appeal Board Manual of Procedure ("TBMP") Section 1212 and restore jurisdiction to the Examining Attorney for approval for publication of Applicant's mark.

On May 10, 2007, Examining Attorney Bulloff issued a Final Refusal with respect to Applicant's U.S. Trademark Application for the mark TROUBLEMAKERS, Ser. No. 78/896,238, refusing registration of Applicant's mark under Section 2(d) of the Lanham Act in light of Reg. No. 2,034,229. On November 1, 2007, Applicant filed a Request for Reconsideration and initiated the present ex parte appeal of the Examining Attorney's refusal. On

November 13, 2007, the Examining Attorney denied Applicant's Request for Reconsideration. The only outstanding issue with respect to Applicant's App. Ser. No. 78/896,238, and hereto on appeal before the Board, is the Section 2(d) refusal in light of Reg. No. 2,034,229. Since Reg. No. 2,034,229 has cancelled pursuant to Section 8 of the Lanham Act this appeal has now become moot. See attached printout from TARR.

As the Section 2(d) refusal was the only issue involved in the subject appeal and the cited registration has cancelled under Section 8 of the Lanham Act, this appeal is rendered moot. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the Board dismiss the appeal as moot pursuant to Section 1212 of the TBMP and restore jurisdiction to the Examining Attorney for approval for publication of the subject application.

By:

Respectfully submitted,

VALIANT ENTERTAINMENT, INC.

Dated: MAY 19, 2008

Timothy D. Pecsenye

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Registration Number: 2034229

Mark (words only): TROUBLE MAKER

Standard Character claim: No

Current Status: Registration canceled under Section 8.

Date of Status: 2007-11-03

Filing Date: 1994-11-14

Transformed into a National Application: No

Registration Date: 1997-01-28

Register: Principal

Law Office Assigned: LAW OFFICE 106

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LAST APPLICANT(S)/OWNER(S) OF RECORD

1. PLAYING MANTIS, INC.

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Legal Entity Type: Corporation

State or Country of Incorporation: Indiana

GOODS AND/OR SERVICES

International Class: 028

Class Status: Section 8 - Cancelled

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toys, namely die cast or plastic miniature vehicles

Basis: 1(a)

First Use Date: 1994-11-10

First Use in Commerce Date: 1995-01-15

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

(NOT AVAILABLE)

MADRID PROTOCOL INFORMATION

(NOT AVAILABLE)

PROSECUTION HISTORY

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2007-11-03 - Canceled Section 8 (10-year)/Expired Section 9

2006-12-27 - Case File In TICRS

2003-04-24 - Section 8 (6-year) accepted & Section 15 acknowledged

2003-01-28 - Section 8 (6-year) and Section 15 Filed

2003-01-28 - Section 15 affidavit received

2003-01-28 - TEAS Section 8 & 15 Received

2002-08-02 - PAPER RECEIVED

1997-01-28 - Registered - Principal Register

1996-12-07 - Allowed for Registration - Principal Register (SOU accepted)

1996-10-23 - Communication received from applicant

1996-09-11 - Unresponsive/Duplicate Paper Received

1996-08-05 - Non-final action mailed

1996-07-25 - Statement of use processing complete

1996-04-26 - Amendment to Use filed

1995-10-31 - Notice of allowance - mailed

1995-08-08 - Published for opposition

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1995-07-07 - Notice of publication

1995-04-26 - Approved for Pub - Principal Register (Initial exam)

1995-04-18 - Examiner's amendment mailed

1995-04-01 - Assigned To Examiner

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